million rural persons as per Usual Status and 14.32 million rural persons as per Current Daily Status were unemployed as per the 50th Round (1993-94) of the survey.

(c) to (e) The Ministry of Rural Development is implementing the following programmes for generation of additional employment opportunities in rural areas all over the country:—

(1) Employment Assurance Scheme (EAS)

(2) Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY)

(3) Jawahar Gram Samridhi Yojana (JGSY)

Crisis of drinking water in Gujarat

3510. SHRI BRAHMAKUMAR BHATT: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that there is a very serious crisis of drinking water in Saurashtra, North Gujarat and Kutch areas of Gujarat;

(b) whether Government have studied the Press report that in cities like Rajkot, Jamnagar and Surendranagar, water is given for 30 minutes on alternate days and there are huge demonstrations by women, ransacking of office of Municipal Corporations;

(c) if so, whether the State Government of Gujarat have asked from any assistance for Centre and whether Centre has given any assistance; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Reports of acute drinking water shortage in some districts of Gujarat, which appeared in Press, have come to notice of the Government.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Neora-Khola drinking water project

3511. SHRI DAWA LAMA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of money spent so far against Neora-Khola drinking water project in Darjeeling District of West Bengal;